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SUBJ: FATE OF INDIAN NATIONALS IN CAMBODIA

1. INDIAN EMBOFF HAS TOLD US IN STRICT CONFIDENCE THAT HIS GOVERNMENT RECEIVED A REPLY TWO WEEKS AGO TO A 1975 INQUIRY TO THE CAMBODIAN GOVERNMENT REGARDING THE WHERE-ABUTS OF THE FORMER INDIAN COMMUNITY IN CAMBODIA. THE REPLY STATED SIMPLY THAT DUE TO THE HAVOC CAUSED BY THE BOMBING OF "AMERICAN IMPERIALISTS," THE CAMBODIAN AUTHORITIES LOST TRACK OF THE INDIAN NATIONALS DURING THE LAST FEW DAYS OF THE WAR.

2. EMBOFF STATED HIS GOVERNMENT WAS STARTLED BY THE REPLY, WITH ITS IMPLICATION THAT ALL REMAINING INDIAN RESIDENTS HAD BEEN SLAUGHTERED IN THE TAKEOVER. HE IMPLIED THEY WOULD BE RELUCTANT TO MAKE IT PUBLIC BECAUSE OF THE DIFFICULTY OF DOING SO WITHOUT OFFENDING CAMBODIA AND/OR THE UNITED STATES. ABOVE INFORMATION SHOULD THUS BE TREATED AS EXTREMELY SENSITIVE AND SHOULD ON NO ACCOUNT BE DISCUSSED WITH INDIANS OR OTHER FOREIGN

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